

Pastor on call for pastoral care this week:

Katie 614-625-1335

PRAYER REQUESTS

Sandy Schupp	Dan Rasche	Mike Van Aman	Rick Cosgray
Charlie Friske's sister	Rachel Timmons	Orlene Shimberg	Ellen Greegor
Kay Hantak	Don Rorapaugh	Madison Hanosek	Larry Limes
Heather	Jenny	Maureen	Jared
Lydia	DeRoberts family	Linda Patterson	Neva
Allison	Al Odenath	Paul Danielson	Nate
Jessie	Joanne Borrer	Fallon, Gavin, Maddox, Nora	John
Jeff	Sarah Starr	Margaret	Sarah Eagleson
Sheila	Elizabeth Remnant	Sam McCamy	Holden Keefer
Louisa Armstrong	Jane & Rocky Cathcart	Jim LuPiba	Lanny Long
Margie Hamler	Kenneth G. Rogers Sr.	Joey Rauckis	Kay Olsen
Janet Gross	Diana Rogers	Maura & Alexa	Kim
4-year-old boy	Kay	Tori	Jane and Ralph
Maria Felston	Sandy Tullett	Jan Buescher	Kay F.
Betty Keenan & family	Hurricane victims, responders & Covenant FL. friends & families	Bill Gass	
Hilliard High School student friends & family		Berti Will & family	

HOMEBOUND/LIMITED MOBILITY

Margaret Robertson Stan Eriksen Peggy Dinger Judy Sechler Harrison Gardner Maggie Broekema

Call the office, 451-6677, or email JP when you want a name added or removed. New names will stay on the list for one month. If you'd like the name to remain on the list after that, please call the office.



OUR MISSION - Covenant Presbyterian Church is an open, accepting community awakening to God's life-giving love together.

OUR VISION - Covenant Presbyterian Church glorifies God and builds relationships with Christ and each other through: worship that inspires, nurture that embraces, education that challenges, fellowship that energizes, ministry that responds.

Sunday Worship Services:

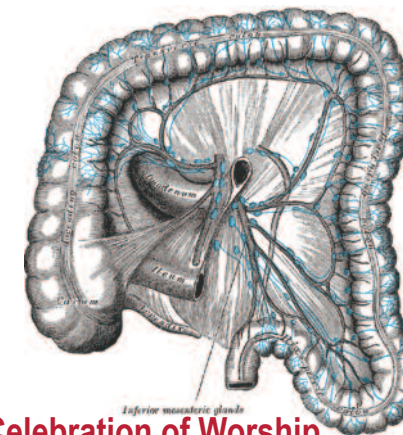
Traditional: 8:30am and 11:00am, Sanctuary; Alternative *Gathering*: 10am, Fellowship Hall

Office Hours: Mon.-Thur. 8:30am-4:00pm; Fri. 8:30am-12:00pm



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**Celebration of Worship
Sunday October 15, 2017**

- **Covenant Church welcomes children in worship.** There is a nursery for infants through age 2 in Rm 101 in the educational wing. Worship bags with quiet activities for children to use during services are available inside the name tag cart.
- **Large print bibles and hymn books are on the credenza in the Narthex.**
- **Prayer request cards** are collected during Fellowship Moments.
- **Hearing devices** are available. Ask an usher. Also, the Sanctuary, Lounge and Fellowship Hall are wired with a system for digital hearing aids.
- **Please silence your cell phone**, but feel free to join the staff in Tweeting high points of the service: @CovenantGather, @tr_keenan, @katiekin-nison, and Puppet (our friend from Sunday morning Talk with Children) @Puppet2070
- **The 2nd Sunday of every month, you may officially join Covenant at any of our three services.** For information, consult our New Member brochure (in pews and on The Welcome Table) or contact Rev. Tracy Keenan or Rev. Katie Kinnison.

Ushers: 8:30 Dick Sharpe, Carol Smathers, Judy Oeder, Charlie Bergmann

11:00 Rusty Miller, Dave Koeneman, Peg Zilles, Steve Zilles

Greeters: 8:30 Bill Balderaz, Rusty Miller, Steve Zilles

11:00 Andy Clark, Karl Craven, Gail Griffin

Musicians: Jason Keefer, organ; Whitney Dodds, soprano; Chancel Choir

PASTORAL LEADERSHIP & PROGRAM STAFF

Tracy Keenan, Pastor/Head-of-Staff - tracykeenan@covenantpcusa.org
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Shane Spicer, Assistant for Children's Ministry - jagsniche@gmail.com

Flowers by the chancel are from Mike and Terri Hayes in celebration of their 35th wedding anniversary and also in celebration of Tracy Keenan's birthday.

PRELUDE 8:30 “My Faith Looks Up to Thee”
11:00 “Fantasy”

arr. Rouse
J.S. Bach

GREETINGS & PASSING OF THE PEACE 8:30 Shea Watts; 11:00 Jim Mehler
The peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

INTROIT NO. 27 “Sacred the Body” verses 1 & 4

TENDERNESS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hear, O people of God:

The Word became flesh and dwelt among us,
full of grace and truth.

We find God’s living Word
in and through human words.

We experience God’s vibrant love
in and through tangible relationships with others.

God’s power is incarnational.

**God calls us to embody Christ’s love in this world.
Let us worship God.**

HYMN NO. 436 “God of Compassion, in Mercy Befriend Us”

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*PRAYER OF ADORATION

(Please be seated)

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Holy God, your intention is for your love to be lived and shared
in this life and on this earth.**

**We confess that we often reserve our piety
for silent thoughts and good intentions
that do not quite become lived experience.**

**Help us to become people who see with your compassion,
have hearts filled with your grace,
and who walk on this earth
leaving it better for our having been here.**

**With the power of your Holy Spirit dwelling within us,
we can surely do what you call us to do.**

In Christ we pray. Amen.

(Silent reflection)

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Friends, believe the Good News of the Gospel:

All: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

1 **All who can comfortably do so, please stand.*

FELLOWSHIP MOMENTS

Sign the fellowship pad & pass it to your neighbor. (Prayer request cards collected.)

Tracy Keenan

TALK WITH CHILDREN

Puppet & Jim

We encourage children to stay with us in worship. We try to keep the worship experience engaging and participatory for all ages. Some little ones who are too restless to remain in the Sanctuary for the full hour, with their grown-ups’ permission, at this time may go to Room 112 for Wiggle Worship.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD’S PRAYER

Katie Kinnison

Our Father who art in heaven... (Hymnal pg. 35. We say “debts” & “debtors.”)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 9:35-38

NT pg. 9

Lay Readers: 8:30 Tom Billman; 11:00 Tori Vazquez

SECOND READING Luke 7:11-17

NT pg. 65

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

SERMON *Grace Anatomy: The Gut Feeling of Compassion* Tracy Keenan preaching

PRESENTATION OF TITHES & OFFERINGS

Offertory 8:30 “If You Search with All Your Heart”
11:30 “If You Search With All Your Heart”

*Craig Courtney
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*Doxology No. 607

OLD HUNDRETH

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;
Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Prayer of Dedication

***HYMN NO. 773** “Heaven Shall Not Wait”

HEAVEN SHALL NOT WAIT

*BENEDICTION AND SENDING

...Know this and go **In Christ’s love and peace and power.**

POSTLUDE 8:30 Reprise of *HEAVEN SHALL NOT WAIT*

11:00 Improvisation

After worship services, Stephen Ministers will be up in front on the bells side to pray with anyone who desires it.

Today
Oct. 15, 2017

- 8:30a - Worship** in the Sanctuary
- **Children:** Wiggle Worship
- 10:00a - Gathering**, Fellowship Hall
- **Children:** Treasure Finders
- **Youth Worship**, Chapel
- 10:30a - Choir Rehearsal**, Music Room
- 11:00a - Worship** in the Sanctuary
- **Children:** Wiggle Worship
- **Youth**, Jimmy John's
- 12:15p - Feasting: Bible & Lunch**, Lounge
- 4:00p - Flautango Concert**, Sanctuary
- 6:30p - Bible Study**, 120

Feasting: Bible & Lunch in the Lounge
12:15p Lunch, 12:30-1:30 Learn
Leviticus & the Priestly Code. What is the point of all this?

Youth Luncheon at Jimmy John's
During 11am service. Youth will have a great time hanging out with other 5th-12th graders.

Flautango Concert of Latin Music
4pm, Sanctuary
All invited. Free admission. Donations accepted.

11am Worship Services Streamed Live at YOUTUBE.COM. *covenantpresbyterianoh.*
Previous worship services, music and special events are also available there. Also, listen to previous sermons on our web site.

Week at a Glance

- Mon., Oct. 16**
9:30a Children's Day Out
- Tues., Oct. 17**
8:15a Centering Prayer, Lounge
9:30a Children's Day Out
1:00p Mission Sewing, 121
1:30p Staff Meeting, Tracy's Office
6:15p Handbells, Sanctuary
7:00p Tues. Spiritual Formation, Seminar, Lounge
- Wed., Oct. 18**
9-11a Peanut Brittle, Kitchen
9:30a Children's Day Out
11a-1p Peanut Brittle, Kitchen
1:00p Bible Study, 120
1:30p CPW Coordinating, Lounge
4:00p Tutoring, Lounge
7:00p Bible Study, Lounge
- Thurs., Oct. 19**
9:30a Children's Day Out, Nursery
7:00p Choir Rehearsal, Music Room
- Fri., Oct. 20**
9:30a Women's Theology, 120
12:00p Primetimers, Lounge
- Sat. Oct. 21**
4:00p HM3 Hoge - Deacons

Oct. 16-21

- Spiritual Cinema**
Mon., Oct. 16, 6:30-9pm, Lounge
Alive Inside: (no subtitles) Dan Cohen, founder of the nonprofit Music & Memory, discovers that songs embedded deep in memory can ease pain and awaken fading minds of Alzheimer's disease and dementia.
- Tues. Night Spiritual Formation: Seminar**
Oct. 17, 7-8:30pm
Working the Guideposts: Living What We Learn From Brene Brown. Whether you've read all her books, listened to her TED Talk, or know nothing about her, you'll benefit from these discussions of practices and strategies that help us live as whole-hearted, open-hearted, vulnerable, and brave human beings. Led by Katie Kinnison.

Peanut Brittle
Wed., Oct. 18, 9-11am or 11am-1pm, Kitchen
Join us in the kitchen to make our ever-popular peanut brittle. Also, donate coffee cans, Kroger or Giant Eagle 80% margarine, and white sugar. Contact Nancy Davidson, 876-5262, ndavidson7@gmail.com.

Wednesday Bible Study: Exodus.
1pm, Room 120 and 7pm, Lounge
Join us in engaging this story of being set free and what it takes to really live in freedom. No prior bible knowledge required; bring your experiences. Led by Katie Kinnison.

NOTE DAY CHANGE: Centering Prayer
Fridays, 8:15am, Lounge
Stay awake to God's presence in your life. Contact Katie Kinnison for more information.

Primetimers Potluck & Program
Fri., Oct. 20, 12pm, Lounge
Jeri Diehl-Cusack presents *White House Christmas Traditions*. Please bring your table service and a dish to share.

HOG3 HM3: Music. Message. Meal.
Sat., Oct. 21, 3rd Sat./month
Hoge Memorial Presby. Church, 2930 W. Broad St.
3pm food prep, 4pm pack, 5pm program
Be part of Covenant's mission and service. Join a group or be with other individuals to prepare and serve dinner to neighbors on the Hilltop. Tracy and Shea and friends will be leading the worship and music. Attend (free meal and new friends) any time. Sign up at the Mission Table or contact John Griffin, johnmgriffin3685@gmail.com.

Oct. 22-28

Feasting: Bible & Lunch

Sun., Oct. 22, Lounge,
12:15p lunch, 12:30-1:30 Learning Time
Joshua & Judges: The Bible & Violence

Tues. Night Spiritual Formation: Book Discussion
Oct. 24, 7-8:30pm

Stand Your Ground: Black Bodies and the Justice of God by Kelly Brown Douglas. Led by Katie Kinnison.

Oct. 29+

Support Survivors of Human Trafficking

-Nov. 2 (1st. Thur./Month), 11am, meet at church
Serve lunch at CATCH Court to women rebuilding their lives. Sign up: Mission & Social Concerns board in the hall. Contact Katie Kinnison.

- We make toiletry kits for women released from jail. 5-8 bags/month. \$15 ea. Our middle school youth assemble them and write notes of encouragement. Make checks out to *Covenant*, with *HT BAGS* on the memo line.

Habitat for Humanity

Covenant is helping to finance and build a house at 1756 S. 6th St. **An all-women's build will be Sat., Nov. 4.** Also, we need volunteers to help with lunch for **Jan. 27.** For more dates and details contact Betsy Sebastian, grammyseb@gmail.com, or Charlie Bergmann, ctbergmann@yahoo.com.

Youth Fun at Columbus Curling Club

Sun., Nov. 5, 7-9pm

It's going to be "cool!" Meet at the church at 6:15 and head to CCC via the church bus. Please RSVP Shea so we can make the appropriate plans for travel, etc. Check out the CCC web site for more info about the venue, <http://columbuscurling.com/>.

Open Shelter Lunch Prep

Nov. 10 (2nd Fri./month), 8:30am, kitchen
Help assemble lunches for 175 people. Lunches then delivered to Open Shelter. Mona Connolly, 614-886-4413; Carrie Mellen, cdmellen@wowwwway.com, 614-771-1396.

Concert: Quartet For The End of Time

Fri., Nov. 10, 8pm, Sanctuary

Come hear Messiaen's *Quartet for the End of Time* for Violin, Cello, Clarinet and Piano based on Revelations and composed in a German prison camp. It is filled with mysticism, awe, bird calls, rainbows and trumpets announcing the end of time as we know it. The program will be augmented by Shostakovich's beloved Cello Sonata. Denison faculty Cora Kuyvenhoven, cello; Evan Lynch, clarinet; Nelson Harper, piano, with guest violinist David Niwa. A free will offering will be accepted.

Ohio Opiate Epidemic Discussion

Tues., Nov. 28, 12-2:30pm, Columbus Boulevard Presby. Church

Sam Quinones, author of "Dreamland," will join the Q&A about the opiate epidemic. After lunch, William Livisay, LSW, will lead a discussion about "The Church's Role in the Opiate Epidemic." For more info and to RSVP, go to <https://psvonline.org/?s=quinones>.

Ongoing & Other News

PCUSA: Disaster Relief. US Hurricane Response. For more info and to donate: <https://tinyurl.com/y95fhscp>.

Have an extra coat in your closet?

During October, West Side Urban Ministry, a ministry of the Presbytery of Scioto Valley, is collecting new/gently used, clean coats, hats and mittens for school children ages 5-17. Coats are taken to the school nurse or counselor at 10 schools on the West Side of Columbus to give to kids who are shivering. Put coats in the box in the hall marked "West-side Coat Collection." Contact Susan Imel, susanime1@gmail.com, 614-262-7444.

Follow our Megan Koeneman's Peru ministry - <https://megankoeneman.wordpress.com/>

Women's Theology

1st & 3rd Fridays, 9:30am, Rm. 120

"The Sins of Scripture: Exposing the Bible's Texts of Hate to Reveal the God of Love" by John Shelby Spong.

Flower Dedication. Commemorate a special day or loved one with Sunday flowers. Only \$36. Call Anna Jo Beeson 614-451-3613.